



## ISSUES SCOPING AGENDA

### Howard's Pass All Season Access Road Upgrade Project

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**Date:** Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015  
**Location:** Heritage Hotel Conference Room, Norman Wells  
**Time:** 11:30am-1:30pm

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#### ITEM

- 11:30am Introduction and purpose of meeting – Board staff  
12:00pm Lunch is served  
12:15pm Project Description presentation – Selwyn Chihong Mining Ltd. Staff  
12:30pm Scoping Exercise
- Scope of the development and project alternatives
  - Geographic and temporal scope
  - **Key Lines of Inquiry**
  - **Valued components including baseline and effects assessment**
  - (as shown in draft Terms of Reference)
  - Effects of the environment on the project
  - Potential accidents and malfunctions
  - Cumulative effects
  - Follow-up and monitoring
  - Closure and reclamation
- 1:30pm Adjourn

## What is an “issues scoping session”?

Scoping is one of the first steps in environmental assessment. During issues scoping sessions, interested groups and members of the public share their views about what issues and outstanding questions the Review Board should learn more about throughout the rest of the environmental assessment.

Throughout the scoping phase, your questions might not be answered right away. Scoping sessions are an opportunity to bring up questions that you think the Review Board should ask the developer during the environmental assessment. The answers to the questions come later in the *Developer’s Assessment Report*, the report which describes the developer’s predictions of impacts in more detail.

## What happens after the scoping session?

Scoping meetings are about identifying the issues and prioritizing them. After issues scoping, the Review Board will write a *Draft Terms of Reference*. The *Draft Terms of Reference* will be open for comment for two weeks for parties followed by a week for the developer. Following this the Review Board will issue a final *Terms of Reference*. The purpose of the *Terms of Reference* is to specify what information the developer must provide in its *Developers Assessment Report*. A draft work plan accompanies the *Terms of Reference* to clarify the environmental assessment process and estimate how long each step will take.

## Additional Information

For a more thorough description of the environmental assessment process, please see the Review Board tutorial at [http://www.reviewboard.ca/review\\_board\\_101](http://www.reviewboard.ca/review_board_101) and other documents in the Review Board’s reference library: [http://www.reviewboard.ca/reference\\_lib/](http://www.reviewboard.ca/reference_lib/). For more information on the Howard’s Pass Access Road Upgrade Project please see the Review Board’s [Public Registry for the Howard’s Pass Access Road Upgrade Project](#).